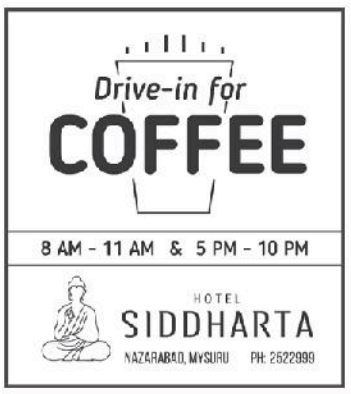

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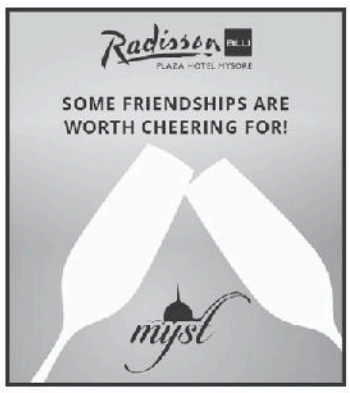

Seven lakh tonnes solid waste at Sewage Farm

Clearing work on war-footing

▶ 1,000 tonnes garbage processed daily ▶ Surat-based company aims to complete works by January 2026

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (GA&BS)- The works on clearing seven lakh tonnes of legacy waste at Sewage Farm, Vidyaranyapuram in the city, is going on a war-footing. It has been six months since the works were launched in June and are expected to be complete by January 2026. The legacy waste — Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) that has been stored for years in landfills or on barren land — that was lying uncleared for the past 20 years was a bone of contention among many.

Also, the authorities concerned were at the receiving end of the complaints by the tax-paying citizens of nearby localities over the foul smell emanating from the mounds of garbage as well as the threat posed to their health.

Eventually, the works on clearing the waste was handed over to Surat-based Company named D.H. Patel, at an estimated cost of Rs. 59 crore.

Prior to launching the works, the unit was built at the premises of Sewage Farm in March this year. Along with this, the rest area was built for the personnel involved in clearing the waste. Following this, all the preparations were made to start the works without giving room for any hiccup.

Six blocks: The legacy waste is classified into six blocks and among those blocks, 35 percent of the waste has been cleared in block 1. The works on remaining blocks will follow later.

(See WORK on page 9)

MCC collects Rs. 191.41 cr. Property Tax till Dec. 10, 2024

Total target Rs. 225 crore; remaining amount to be collected by March 2025

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (RK&BCT)- The Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has ramped up its efforts to collect Property Tax, a significant revenue source for maintaining the city's infrastructure.

With 2,25,000 registered properties and 1,95,000 revenue properties in Mysuru city, the MCC had set a target of collecting Rs. 225 crore in Property Tax for the financial year from April 1, 2024, to March 31, 2025. As of Dec. 10, Rs. 191.41 crore has been collected, MCC Commissioner Ashaad-Ur-Rahman Shariff told *Star of Mysore*.

With the collection touching Rs. 191.41 crore, the MCC has achieved 85 percent of its Property Tax collection target, gathering taxes from 1,63,000 properties.

The remaining dues are expected to be collected by March 31, 2025, to reach 100 percent.

The intensive tax collection drive aims to ensure funds for the city's development and efficient management and the MCC remains committed to ensuring efficient tax collection to support Mysuru's development goals, he added.

MCC Deputy Commissioner (Revenue) Somashekar highlighted that while a 5 percent rebate is typically offered only in April, this year, the rebate was extended until September. This extension contributed significantly to higher collections, enabling record tax receipts by the first week of December.

(See TAX on page 6)

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-6 for Abracadabra titled ***"My thoughts on the world we live in."*** —Ed

Retired Mysore Medical College Professor Dr. C. Rajan passes away

Dr. C. Rajan

Mysuru, Dec. 12- Dr. C. Rajan (72), Retired Professor in Medicine, Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI) and a resident of Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, passed away following prolonged illness at a private hospital in city last night.

Dr. Rajan, who had also served at K.R. Hospital in various capacities for about 30 years, was the former President of Indian Medical Association (IMA), Mysore Branch and member of Mysore Medical College Alumni Association (MAA).

He leaves behind his wife C. Shylaja, son Balachandar, daughter-in-law Manjula Balachandar and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam here this evening, according to family sources.

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

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PGL Memorial Music Programme in city on Dec. 13, 14

PGL

Mysuru, Dec. 12- PGL Samsmarana Vedike, Mysuru, has organised two-day Karnatak Classical Music Programme at Mysore K. Vasudevacharya Bhavana, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, Mysuru, at 6 pm on Dec. 13 and 14, in memory of Ganakalabhushana Vid. P.G. Laksminarayana (PGL), an eminent percussion artiste and able guru, who was instrumental in guiding many of the present percussion artistes of Mysuru.

On Dec. 13, senior musician, scholar, guru and former Principal of the University of Mysore Fine Arts College, Vidu. Dr. R.N. Srilatha will be felicitated by the Vedike and later she will present a vocal concert. Vid. Vishwajith Mattur, Vid. G.S. Ramanujan and Vid. V.S. Ramesh will provide instrumental support on violin, mridanga and morching respectively.

Vidu. Dr. Srilatha

Vid. Amith

On Dec. 14, Vid. Amith Nadig, one of the most promising young flautists, will render a flute concert, with Vid. Vaibhav Ramani on violin, Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. Shrinidhi R. Koundinya on ghata.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

OVERCOME NEGATIVITY THROUGH DIVINE QUALITIES: ***The present society has undoubtedly made marvellous progress in various fields, but emotionally, it appears much weaker. Man has not been able to control his impulsiveness, ambitions, anger and anxiety. There is thus a lot of imbalance, created by rapid and great advancement in science and technology on the one hand and lack or absence of parallel progress in emotional maturity, self-control and ethical abilities on the other hand. It can thus be said that the qualities in man determine the quality of his life and his peaceful and happy or peaceless and sorrowful state.***

But it is a pity that man has been trying to find happiness in ruling over big territories, possessing a lot of property or wealth and having great many comforts. He has been trying to achieve success, name and fame or political and economic power even if his soul had to give up the divine qualities and to resort to negative or demoniacal qualities. This has, evidently, led to corruption of the soul, degeneration of the society and to peacelessness and sufferings of various kinds.

If we accept this analysis of our present predicament, then we have to admit that we have had a fall in moral values and divine qualities and what we require today is to extricate and uplift ourselves from this situation with the help of education that can restore the divine qualities in us.

Complete peace, it should be remembered, comes from complete purity or full-edged divine nature. Even a fraction of one demoniacal quality leads to lessening of peace in that proportion if not more. It should also be noted that demoniacal qualities have linkages among themselves even as divine qualities are connected among themselves and strengthen and sustain each other. So, liberation from one negative quality leads to at least some liberation from other negative qualities. Thus, even our little effort to inculcate, in ourselves, some divine qualities lead ultimately to a great overall change in our nature and results in enhancement in the quality of our inner happiness. One must, therefore, in one's own interest and in the interest of building a better world, pay attention to the task of restoration of divine qualities and elimination of the devilish qualities or negative traits. In doing this lies the hope of our own liberation and improvement of the world-conditions.

— Rajyogi Brahmakumar Nikunj in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Mistaken as ghost, man spends 3 days in well

Bangkok: A 22-year-old man spent three days trapped at the bottom of a 12-metre-deep well because villagers who heard his cries thought it was a wailing ghost.

It's unclear what Liu Chuanyi, a young Chinese national, was doing in the forest on the border between Thailand and Myanmar, but he somehow fell into an abandoned well on the outskirts of a small village. Authorities believe he was trekking through the woods when he fell into the 12-metre-deep hole, sustaining a fractured wrist and cerebral concussion. At first, he started shouting for help as loudly as he could. His cries went unanswered not because no one heard them, but because people who did were convinced they were the cries of a ghost. Instead of approaching the well, nearby villagers stayed away, afraid of being attacked by spirits.

Luckily for Liu, someone alerted the Police about bizarre sounds coming from the forest. As they investigated the area they stumbled over the well he had fallen into and rescued him.

Police introduces spherical patrol robot

Beijing: Robotics company Logon Technology has unveiled the RT-G autonomous spherical robot, a "technological breakthrough" designed to assist and even replace humans in dangerous environments and situations.

Capable of operating on land and water, the spherical robot can allegedly reach speeds of up to 35km/h and withstand impact damage of up to 4 tons.

In a video, the RT-G was seen operating in water, rough terrain and mud, but what really caught people's attention was its urban use, that of a sort of patrol robot capable of identifying criminals and immobilizing them thanks to its suites of advanced AI-powered software. Since the clip went viral, RT-G robots have been spotted patrolling alongside human law enforcement.

HEALTH CAPSULE

High blood pressure often has no symptoms but can lead to serious health problems. Regular monitoring is essential.

By Dr. Satish Kumar M.G - Internal medicine
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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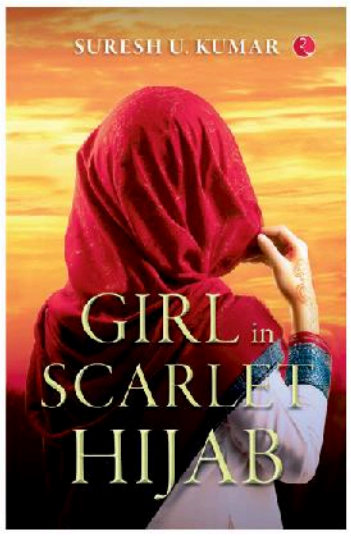
LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Book release tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec. 12- Mysuru Book Clubs-2015 has organised a programme at Hotel Le Ruchi The Prince (Yamuna Hall) on Hunsur Road in city tomorrow between 6 pm and 7.30 pm for the release of the book 'Girl in Scarlet Hijab,' a novel by Dr. Suresh U. Kumar, President, TiE, New Jersey, USA.

Dr. Mahesh Rao, President, TiE, Mysuru, will release the book. First copy of the book will be received by Shubha Sanjay Urs, Founder-Chairperson, Mysuru Book Clubs-2015. Prof. Shankar Bellur will be in conversation.



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Last year's level **96.41 feet**	Last year's level **2,273.89 feet**	Last year's level **2,834.39 feet**
Yesterday's level **124.80 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,280.28 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,835.99 feet**
Today's Inflow **5,624 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **399 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **554 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **5,413 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **875 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **800 cusecs**

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VOICE OF THE READER

Remembering Prof. V.K. Nataraj

Sir,

I recall my friend Prof. V.K. Nataraj, who passed away in city on Dec. 9, as a real distinguished scholar in his subject Economics.

He later became the Director of Madras Institute of Development Studies, Chennai, the Institute which had as its first Director, Development Economist *Padma Bhushan* Malcolm S. Adiseshiah. It was, indeed, a recognition of his merit in the field.

I picked-up the above photo with Prof. James Manor of Sussex University, UK, where Nataraj was a Visiting Faculty. I met them together when James had come to MYRA School of Business in city during October 2017, for a lecture on D. Devaraj Urs.

We were contemporaries in Maharaja's College in mid-50s and Nataraj was a daring debator with oratory skills. May his soul rest in peace.

— K. Vijaya Kumar,
Former Jt. Director of Information & Publicity
Mysuru
10.12.2024

Missing furniture from ATI Guest House

Ex-Manager pays Rs. 77,297 on Rohini Sindhuri's behalf

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (RK&BCT)- The controversy surrounding the missing furniture and household items from the Administrative Training Institute (ATI) Guest House on Lalitha Mahal Road in Mysuru has been resolved.

Sindhuri

The items had reportedly gone missing during the tenure of Rohini Sindhuri as Mysuru Deputy Commissioner, who stayed at the Guest House from Oct. 2 to Nov. 14, 2020. After Sindhuri vacated the premises and moved to the official DC's residence, ATI officials discovered several items had disappeared. The then Joint Director of ATI had written to Sindhuri requesting the return of the missing items but received no response.

Subsequently, the Joint Director escalated the matter to the Government, recommending the deduction of Rs. 77,297 — the assessed value of the missing items — from Rohini Sindhuri's salary.

Following this, the Under Secretary of the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms, T. Mahantesh, issued an order directing the submission of a preliminary investigation report on the matter.

In compliance, the ATI Joint Director Roopa submitted a detailed report along with written information. She informed the Government that the former Guest House Manager, Vishwas, had deposited the amount due from Rohini Sindhuri into the ATI's account, effectively resolving the issue.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Free Skill Training

The Rural Development and Self Employment Training Institute (RUDSETI), Mysuru, will be conducting the following Skill Training at its premises in Hinkal, Mysuru: Mobile phone repairs from Dec. 12, 2024 to Jan. 10, 2025; Computerized Accounting from Dec. 19, 2024 to Jan. 17, 2025. All the programmes are free of cost including boarding and lodging. Candidates aged between 18 to 45 years, who can read and write in Kannada, are eligible to apply. Preference will be given to rural BPL candidates. Interested may submit an application with phone number, photocopies of Aadhaar card and Ration card. Candidates will be selected based on direct interview. For details, call Ph: 0821-2519663 or 97404-30061 or 94498-60466.

Hari Sourabha tomorrow

Hari Sourabha 2024, the 17th Annual Day celebrations of Hari Vidyalaya will be held at its premises in Bogadi at 4.30 pm tomorrow (Dec. 13). Karnataka Muktaka Sahitya Academy Trust President S. Ramaprasad will preside. Artiste & Kendra Sahitya Academy Member Addanda Cariappa will be the chief guest. Divya Hegde of SaReGaMaPa Little Champ fame will be the special invitee. Hari Vidyalaya President Sreenivasa Hosamane will be present.

Inter-District Women's Kho-Kho

Mysore District Amateur Kho-Kho Association has organised selections for Inter-District Women's Kho-Kho Tournament organised by Tumakuru District Amateur Kho-Kho Association, on Dec. 15 at 10 am at Hari Vidyalaya School Grounds, CA-2, Railway Layout, Bogadi, in city. The Inter-District Women's Kho-Kho Tournament will be held from Dec. 20 to 22 at Tumakuru. Interested sports persons must be the natives of Mysuru district and should attend the selection process, along with their original Aadhaar card. Interested may contact Mob: 81230-87678 or 80954-44156.

Story-telling

Srikantesh

As part of 'Kathe Kelona Banni-858,' Kalasuruchi has organised story-telling by Srikantesh, retired Assistant Director and Environmental Lover, Department of Education, at Suruchi Ranga-mane, #476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, in city on Dec. 14 between 4.30 pm and 5.30 pm. For details, contact Mob: 92435-81097 or 99459-43115.

Tearful adieu to S.M. Krishna at his native Somanahalli

Somanahalli, Dec. 12 (MR& BS)- The mortal remains of former Chief Minister S.M. Krishna, who passed away in Bengaluru on Tuesday (Dec. 10), was consigned to flames at his native Somanahalli in Maddur taluk, Mandya district, on Wednesday.

The 92-year-old Krishna was given State honours with the Police Band playing National Anthem and State Police firing three rounds in the air, following which his grandson Amartya Hegde, lit the funeral pyre during the auspicious *lagna* at around 5.23 pm, at the vacant ground behind Cafe Coffee Day outlet.

Krishna's wife Prema, daughters Malavika Hegde (wife of Cafe Coffee Day Founder late V.G. Siddhartha Hegde) and Shambavi, grandson Ishaan Hegde, Aishwarya (wife of Amartya), her mother Usha D.K. Shivakumar and a large number of relatives and friends, bid tearful adieu to the most charismatic leader of his times in the State politics.

Earlier, Tricolour draped on the body of Krishna, as a mark of respect, was handed over to his wife Prema, before placing the mortal remains on the place, where the last rites were conducted.

Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar, who attributed his meteoric rise in politics to Krishna, joined others in carrying the cortege of his mentor, along with his brother D.K. Suresh, former MP, as the hearse van carrying the cortege arrived at Somanahalli.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, Home Minister Dr. G. Parameshwar, Agriculture and Mandya District Minister N. Cheluvarayaswamy, Union Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel H.D. Kumaraswamy, also the Mandya MP, former Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa, Adichunchanagiri Mutt Seer Dr. Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji were prominent among the dignitaries who were present during the funeral of Krishna.

Union Minister for Parliamentary Affairs Pralhad Joshi took part in the funeral as a representative of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who had sent his condolence letter, expressing grief over the death of Krishna, with Joshi and Haveri MP Basavaraj Bommai, that was handed over to Prema Krishna.

Confer 'Karnataka Ratna' Award

Leader of Opposition in Legislative Assembly R. Ashoka has urged CM Siddaramaiah to confer 'Karnataka Ratna' Award posthumously on Krishna, considering his contributions for the development of the State, especially Bengaluru as 'Silicon Valley.'

S.M. Krishna

Vokkaliga Association

State Vokkaliga Association leaders in Mysuru held a condolence meet at the Vokkaliga Girls Hostel in Vijayanagar and raised a similar demand to confer 'Karnataka Ratna' Award on Krishna. They also demanded that, any circle or main road in the city should be named after him.

CM pays last respects to former MLA Jayanna

S. Jayanna

Chamarajanagar, Dec. 12 (VNS)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah paid last respects to former MLA and Karnataka State Warehousing Corporation Chairman S. Jayanna, who passed away at his residence on Tuesday. Siddaramaiah, who landed at the helipad at MGSV College in Kollegal, travelled to Jayanna's residence at Mahadeshwara College Layout and paid respects to the former MLA.

Later, in the evening, Jayanna's last rites were held with State honours at his native village Mamballi as per Buddhist rituals. Jayanna's demise came as a shock to his family members as they were preparing for the house-warming ceremony of their new house 'Anugraha' which was scheduled for today (Dec. 12).

CM Siddaramaiah, who had visited Kollegal on Dec. 8, had inaugurated the name plaque of the new house. Unfortunately, Jayanna, a close aide of Siddaramaiah, suffered a massive cardiac arrest on Dec. 10.

Among those who paid their last respects included Ministers K. Venkatesh and Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, MP Sunil Bose, MLAs A.R. Krishnamurthy, C. Puttarangashetty, H.M. Ganesh Prasad, M.R. Manjunath, Darshan Dhruvanarayan, MLCs Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, Dr. D. Thimmaiah, State Guarantees Implementation Authority Vice-Chairperson Dr. Pushpa Amarnath, CADA Chairman P. Mariswamy, CHUDA Chairman Mohammed Asghar Munna, Chamarajanagar DC Shilpa Nag, ZP CEO Mona Roat, SP Dr. B.T. Kavitha, Assistant Commissioner B.R. Mahesh, Tahsildar Basavaraju among others.

Two go missing

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (KS)- In separate cases, two persons have gone missing from Narasimharaja (NR) and Vidyaranyapuram Police limits in city.

Lakshmana

In the first case, a 70-year-old man, who left his house on Oct. 2 at about 5 pm, has since gone missing. The missing man is Lakshmana. He is 5 ft. tall, partially bald, fair complexioned, round faced, normal built, speaks Kannada, Tamil, Telugu and Hindi and was wearing a green coloured full arm shirt and black pant at the time of going missing.

Those having any details about Lakshmana, may contact N.R. Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418312 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

Balaji Rao

In the second case, Balaji Rao Pawar, a resident of Vidyaranyapuram Police limits, has gone missing since Nov. 17.

Those having information about missing Balaji, may contact Vidyaranyapuram Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418322 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

Winners of Carol Singing Competition

The students of St. Joseph's Central School at Vijayanagar in city seen posing with the Champions Trophy of Carol Singing Competition during the valedictory ceremony on Sunday evening.

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (KS)- St. Joseph's Central School, Vijayanagar, Mysuru, bagged Champions Trophy in the 32nd Carol Singing Competition, organised by Carmel Catholic Association, Mysuru, at Maharaja's College Centenary Hall in city on Sunday.

Competitions were held in 12 categories and the first three prize winners in each category are as follows:

Kindergarten: 1. Christ Public School; 2. NPS School, Vijayanagar and 3. St. Joseph's Nursery School, Jayalakshmipuram.

Standard 1 to 4: St. Arnolds Central School, Sathagalli; 2. NPS School, Vijayanagar and 3. St. Joseph's Central School, Vijayanagar.

Standard 5 to 7 (English): 1. Good Shepherd Higher Primary School, Lashkar Mohalla; 2. St. Joseph's Central School, Vijayanagar and 3. St. Joseph's School, Jayalakshmipuram.

Standard 5 to 7 (Kannada & other regional languages): 1. St. Joseph's Central School, Vijayanagar; 2. Capitol Public School, Saraswathipuram and 3. Presentation Public School.

Standard 8 to 10 (English): 1. St. Maria De Mattias School, Srirampura; 2. St. Joseph's Central School, Vijayanagar and 3. Good Shephered High School, Lashkar Mohalla.

Standard 8 to 10 (Kannada & other regional languages): 1. Presentation Public School, Rammanahalli; 2. Ideal Jawa Rotary School, JLB Road and 3. St. Joseph's Central School, Vijayanagar.

PU Colleges (English, Kannada & other regional languages): 1. St. Philomena's PU College, Bannimantap (Kannada); St. Philomena's PU College (English) and 3. Teresian PU College, Siddarthanagar.

Under Graduate and Post Graduate (English): 1. Krupalaya Institute of Philosophy; 2. Pushpashrama and 3. St. Joseph's First Grade College.

Under Graduate and Post Graduate (Kannada & other regional languages): 1. Krupalaya Institute of Philosophy and 2. Pushpashrama.

Churches and Parishes (English): 1. CSI St. Bartholomew's Church; 2. Sacred Heart Church, Yadavagiri and 3. St. John Paul Church, Old Kesare.

Churches and Parishes (Kannada & other regional languages): 1. Virgin of the Poor Church, Bannimantap; 2. St. Teresa of Calcutta Church, Rajivnagar and 3. Infant Jesus Church, Pushpagiri.

Professionals (English, Kannada & other regional languages): 1. Euphrasian Symphony, Lashkar Mohalla; St. Joseph's, Bannimantap and 3. St. Teresa of Calcutta, Rajivnagar.

Prizes were distributed by the dignitaries during the valedictory ceremony held in the evening.

Science Sanje
Talk in Kannada on 'Data Stories'

Mysuru, Dec. 12- Kalasuruchi, Kutuhali-Kannada and The Academy Trust have jointly organised Science Sanje at Suruchi Rangamane on Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru, on Dec. 14 between 6.30 pm and 7.30 pm. Science writer and columnist from Bengaluru, T.G. Srinidhi, will speak on the topic 'Data Stories' in Kannada.

T.G. Srinidhi

T.G. Srinidhi has a Master's Degree in Engineering. He is working in IT field for 20 years, currently serving as a Senior Manager in TE Connectivity.

Srinidhi is one of the leading contributors to Science and Technology Communication in Kannada. He has authored over 3,000 articles and 30 books including a glossary of IT terms in Kannada (300+ pages).

His articles have been part of textbooks of many Universities. He has presented papers in National and International Technology and Literature Conferences.

Srinidhi has received many awards including Mayuravarma, Most Outstanding Blog in Kannada Award, etc.

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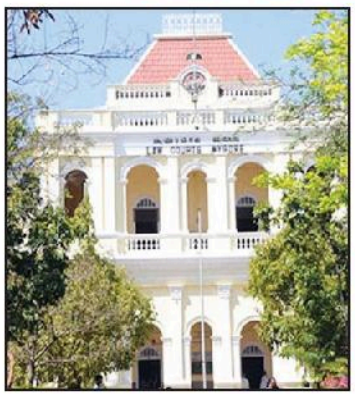
By K.B. Ganapathy

My thoughts on the world we live in



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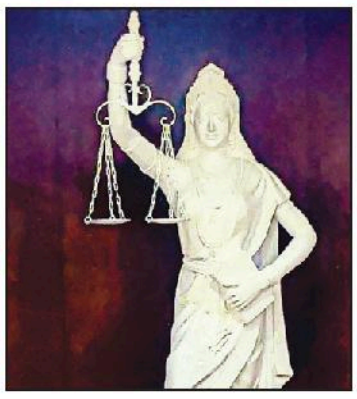

Indianised Lady Justice Statue at Supreme Court

Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi

"If you feel pain, you're alive. If you feel other people's pain, you're a human being."

—Leo Tolstoy

Our Supreme Court should put a system in place where all its subordinate Court Judges and Magistrates are enabled to "individually improve" themselves as Tolstoy's "human beings."

Newspaper reading is a reminder that man has learnt nothing from his past nor from his present situation. He seems to be repeating the same mistakes and as a consequence suffer.

Let me not go back to millennium past years. The World War I was devastating to mankind during the beginning of the 20th century — 1914-1918. At the end of the war, the map of the world was redrawn, new countries came into existence and mighty empires simply disappeared. Ottoman Empire mainly. And League of Nations formed to prevent another war. But wait till 1938...

Then the World War II (1939-1945). This was more destructive to mankind than the World War I and extended to South-East Asia, Japan, too. Again new nations were created and boundaries drawn. Countries were divided. The lesson learnt was that wars would not solve human problems. So was born the United Nations Organisation (UNO) with its Head Quarters in New York, America, to prevent future wars. A new Vatican of member countries was also born and it is called **Security Council (SC).** A peaceful, war-free world in the future, one thought, was assured.

Soon this too began to lose credibility and became a private club of SC members working to safeguard their own individual country's interest. **Pride and prejudice pervaded the Security Council and India and Israel were the first two countries to suffer at the hands of this SC and the UN.** No wonder today the UN and the SC have become irrelevant in solving the problems among nations: Look at the ongoing wars — Ukraine and Gaza; terrorist menace and collapse of Syria.

Therefore, each country should think on the lines of Donald Trump, who believes in making his country America Great and America First. Is India listening to Trump?

If this is about man's failure in **external affairs,** his failure in **internal affairs** is worse. For the good of man in a political society there are many laws, systems and institutions. Here let me touch upon only the Law Courts, Presiding Officers (Judges, Magistrates) and lawyers because last Tuesday the Supreme Court said that **'any complaint without specific allegation must be nipped in the bud and the law should not be allowed to be misused for arm-twisting tactics by a wife or her family.'** This was in reference to a dowry harassment case of one Atul Subhash that had led to a suicide. But this precept should apply to all Court cases.

The point I wish to comment upon here is about the observations made by the Supreme Court. One is 'any complaint without specific allegation must be nipped in the bud.' The second observation is, 'The law should not be allowed to be misused,' apparently to arm-twist or harass the defendant.

My personal experience with Law Courts since 1961 to this day has been rather toxic. I realised suffering injustice silently as my *karma*. If so, wisdom lies in avoiding going to the Court and suffer injustice with a Court stamp. But what do you do when the complainant files a case and drags you to the Court? You must defend yourself. It is in this context the Supreme Court made its observations. It means that the **Lower Courts should not take on record a case which is mischievous and untenable on the face of it.**

However, to act according to the Supreme Court's advice the Lower Court Judges and Magistrates should be of such learning and humanity that they should conduct themselves as **human beings.** As Leo Tolstoy said that is possible only if they feel others' pain. The pain of the defendant facing a case filed only to harass him.

I am a victim of this kind of cases filed against me when I was the editor of *Star of Mysore* and *Mysuru Mithra*. Let me mention just one case. This is about a report published in *Star of Mysore* about Bonded Labour in Hunsur.

The Divisional Commissioner Jayakumar Anagol had got the bonded labourer freed and got a case filed. Next I get an arrest warrant from a Hunsur Court without a summons preceding it. The Police Officer was sympathetic and allowed me to go to Hunsur that same day. I engaged a lawyer M.B. Charmana, got a bail. Well, the case was not taken to its logical end. What happened? My lawyer told me it was dismissed as the complainant did not pursue or for some reason. But the complainant had taught me a lesson!

The Magistrate or the Judge who took this case on record could have "nipped" it, as the Supreme Court Judge said, in the bud. He did not, why? Your guess is as good as mine.

Any human being of the kind Leo Tolstoy has defined would be deeply moved to hear what Atul Subhash said before committing suicide to which Supreme Court had alluded.

The suicide victim said: "Don't immerse my ashes until justice is served."

Now, justice is served in two ways — acquittal or conviction. What happens if the defendant is acquitted? To Atul Subhash, it may not be justice!

And what was Atul's last wish?

"If my wife and harassers are not held guilty, pour my ashes in a gutter near the Court."

Wah! What a wonderful world is ours !

It has been so all along and will be so in the future too. Which is why Marie Curie said: **"You cannot hope to build a better world without improving the individual."** Hence, our Supreme Court should put a system in place where all its subordinate Court Judges and Magistrates are enabled to "individually improve" themselves as Tolstoy's "human beings."

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Kodava Samaja to celebrate *Puthari Namme* on Dec. 14

Mysuru, Dec. 12- The Kodava Samaja, Mysuru, will celebrate *Puthari Namme-2024* at Sree Cauvery Educational Institutions in Kuvempunagar on Dec. 14.

This year's harvest festival celebrations will commence at 5.30 pm with the performance of all traditional dances of Kodavas.

This will be followed by *Nere Kattuva* ritual at 7.50 pm; *Kadh Edupa* (reaping of new paddy crop) at 8.45 pm, followed by distribution of *thambutt prasada*, according to a press release from Ketolira A. Belliappa, Hon. Secretary of the Samaja.

As a prelude to the fest, the annual *eedu* programme is being held at the Samaja premises in Vijayanagar at 6 pm daily since Dec. 8 and the following Sanghas hosted the *Puthari Eedu:*

Dec. 8: Thalakaveri Kodava Samskrithika Sangha, Hootagalli and Brahmagiri Kodava Association, Vijayanagar; **Dec. 9:** Cauvery Kodava Okkuta, N.R. Mohalla and Nellakki Kodava Koota, Vijayanagar; **Dec. 11:** Jayalakshmi Kodava Association, Jayalakshmipuram and Bhagavathi Kodava Association, Bogadi.

Today (Dec. 12): Igguthappa Kshemabhivrudhi Sangha, Hebbal and Ramakrishna Kodava Welfare Association, Ramakrishnanagar.

Dec. 13: Kodava Samaja Cultural and Sports Club.

Property Tax

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Compared to previous years, April 2024 witnessed the highest tax collections, Somashekar noted. He further added that while registered properties contribute significantly to revenue, revenue layouts often fall short of expectations, impacting overall resource generation.

The transfer of certain residential layouts from the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) to the MCC is expected to enhance revenue collection this financial year. The Government's approval to include these properties under the 'B Khata' is anticipated to contribute significantly to the MCC's income, Somashekar said.

Property Tax remains the primary revenue source for the MCC, enabling the maintenance of roads, streetlights, drainage systems, parks and city cleanliness. Somashekar urged residents to promptly pay property taxes to ensure the seamless provision of essential infrastructure and services.

Viraktha Mutt Seer inaugurates MYBUILD-24

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (GA&KS)- The 24th Edition of MY-BUILD-24, an exhibition of construction materials, interiors and lifestyles, organised by Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre, was inaugurated at Maharaja's College Grounds in city this morning.

The expo was jointly inaugurated by Dr. Sri Karivrushabha Deshikendra Shivayogeshwara Mahaswamiji of Somekatte Sri Kadasiddeshwara Mutt, Nonavinakere, Viraktha Mutt, Turuvekere and University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor (VC) Prof. N.K. Lokanath.

Speaking on the occasion, the Mahaswamiji said, a house is essential for man to achieve anything in life. He lauded MY-BUILD as it shows how to build affordable houses besides providing information to construction professionals on the latest technologies available.

Viraktha Mutt Seer Dr. Sri Karivrushabha Deshikendra Shivayogeshwara Mahaswamiji seen taking a look at one of the exhibits after inaugurating the MYBUILD-24 expo at Maharaja's College Grounds in city this morning along with University of Mysore VC Prof. N.K. Lokanath and office-bearers of Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre.

University of Mysore VC Prof. N.K. Lokanath, who also spoke, said that it is everyone's dream to build their own house and this expo is a right place for them. Pointing out that in Japan, a house will be constructed in just two months, the VC said such technologies should come to India also.

The VC said that it is very difficult to maintain many Palaces in the University premises and added that there is no one here who has the knowledge of maintaining heritage structures besides stating that new technologies should be used to construct houses speedily.

BAI Mysore Chairman A.S. Yoganarasimha, Hon. Secretary K.R. Prabhakar Rao, MY-BUILD-24 Chairman K.T. Govindaraju, Hon. Secretary S.L. Dinesh and others were present during the inauguration.

MYBUILD-24 expo will be open for public from 10 am to 9 pm daily till Dec. 16 with cultural programmes in the evenings.

Restoration of Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion, Folklore Museum at Manasagangothri

US Consulate Officer from Chennai reviews progress

Jeanne Briganti, Public Affairs Officer at the U.S. Consulate General Chennai (extreme left) being briefed about the ongoing restoration works of Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion and Folklore Museum by architect Akhila as University of Mysore Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. N. Nagaraja, Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion and UoM Museums Director Prof. Dr. C. Gurusiddaiah and others look on.

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (RK&VNS)- Jeanne Briganti, Public Affairs Officer at the U.S. Consulate General Chennai, visited the Folklore Museum housed at Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion in Manasagangothri this morning.

The museum and the mansion are undergoing extensive restoration, funded in part by the U.S. Government's Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation (AFCP) and managed by the Deccan Heritage Foundation (DHF) India.

The project aims to conserve the West Wing of the Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion, which houses the Folklore Museum, along with over 6,500 artefacts. Restoration efforts are expected to be completed by December 2025.

During her visit, Jeanne was briefed by DHF representatives on the progress of the project. Speaking to the media, she expressed satisfaction with the restoration work, noting that 50 percent of the project is already complete. She affirmed that the remaining work would be concluded by the end of 2025.

The restoration, valued at Rs. 33 crore, is being carried out by the University of Mysore in collaboration with the U.S. Consulate and the Mumbai-based Harish and Bina Shah Foundation.

The AFCP has contributed 300,000 Dollars (approximately Rs. 2.5 crore) for the West Wing's restoration, while the Harish and Bina Shah Foundation has provided Rs. 30 crore for the overall renovation of the mansion.

The University of Mysore signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with both the AFCP and the Harish and Bina Shah Foundation in January this year.

Present during the visit were University of Mysore Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. N. Nagaraja, Jayalakshmi Vilas Mansion and University of Mysore Museums Director Prof. Dr. C. Gurusiddaiah, and Architect Akhila.

Cut in grants to Boards, Corporations

BJP to stage protest in city tomorrow: R. Raghu

Mysuru, Dec.12 (MTY&BS)- State BJP OBC Morcha President R. Raghu said that a State-wide protest has been organised by the party tomorrow (Dec. 13) and the party in the district will stage the protest at Gandhi Square here at 10.30 am.

R. Raghu

He was addressing media persons at BJP Office in Chamarajapuram in the city this morning.

Raghu said, the protest has been organised to condemn Chief Minister Siddaramaiah led Congress Government in the State, for cutting the grants earlier allocated to various Corporations coming under the Department of Backward Classes Welfare and diverting the grants to keep its five Guarantee Schemes afloat.

Though the budgetary allocations are being announced, the grants released are contrasting in reality, depriving the Corporations from carrying forward their regular programmes like encouraging self-employment initiatives, Arivu Yojane for students and free borewells sanctioned under Ganga Kalyana scheme for small land holding farmers.

Raghu said, Siddaramaiah boasts of representing backward classes, but the funds sanctioned for the welfare of the community is measly than what was sanctioned during the tenure of previous CM Basavaraj Bommai's Government.

As announced in the budget, Rs. 546 crore was released during the tenure of Bommai Government, but Siddaramaiah's Government that came to power in 2023, had released Rs. 170 crore to various Boards and Corporations in the State.

The Government had announced Rs. 1,600 crore in 2024-25 budget, but released Rs. 347 crore, alleged Raghu.

Elderly woman loses gold, diamond jewellery in city bus

Mysuru, Dec. 12 (MK&KS)- An elderly woman has lost her gold and diamond jewellery worth lakhs of rupees while travelling in a city bus on Tuesday.

The woman, who lost her jewellery, is 70-year-old Malini, a resident of Ramakrishnanagar in city.

On Tuesday afternoon, Malini boarded a city bus going towards Nazarbad to go to the Bank to keep her jewellery in the locker.

When she alighted at Hardinge Circle and walked for a distance, she noticed the zipper of the bag in which she had kept her gold bangles, diamond studded bangles, gold finger rings and gold chains, open and on examining the bag, she found the jewellery missing and lodged a complaint with jurisdictional Devaraja Police Station.

MYSORE TRAIN TIMINGS

FROM MYSURU RAILWAY STATION TOWARDS KSR BENGALURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Mysuru Departure	Bengaluru Arrival	Days of Service
16586	Murudeshwar	KSR Bengaluru	3.45 am	6.15 am	Daily
12610	Mysuru	Chennai	5.00 am	7.50 am	Daily
16217	Mysuru	Shirdi	5.20 am	8.00 am	Monday
17326	Mysuru	Belagavi	5.40 am	8.40 am	Daily
20663	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	6.00 am	7.45 am	Daily Except Wed Vande Bharat
06256	Mysuru	Bengaluru	6.10 am	9.15 am	Daily
16215	Mysuru	Bengaluru	6.45 am	9.35 am	Daily
22687	Mysuru	Varanasi	7.30 am	9.55 am	Tue & Thu
20623	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	8.20 am	10.50 am	Daily
07345	Chamarajanagar	KSR Bengaluru	9.05 am	12.50 pm	Daily Passenger
19668	Mysuru	Udaipur	10.00 am	12.10 pm	Thu [Humsafar Exp]
12975	Mysuru	Jaipur	10.30 am	12.55 pm	Thu & Sat
12578	Mysuru	Darbhanga	10.30 am	1.35 pm	Friday
12613	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	11.30 am	2.00 pm	Daily
16315	Mysuru	Kochuveli	12.45 pm	4.35 pm	Daily
20608	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	1.05 pm	2.50 pm	Daily Except Wed Vande Bharat
17307	Mysuru	Bagalkot	1.25 pm	4.30 pm	Daily
06258	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	1.45 pm	5.00 pm	Daily Passenger
12008	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	2.15 pm	4.15 pm	Daily Except Wed
20659	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	2.50 pm	5.20 pm	Daily
12786	Mysuru	Kacheguda	3.15 pm	5.40 pm	Daily
16535	Mysuru	Pandharpur	3.45 pm	6.25 pm	Daily
16232	Mysuru	Mayiladuturai	4.15 pm	6.45 pm	Daily
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	4.55 pm	8.20 pm	Daily
16236	Mysuru	Tuticorin	6.20 pm	8.55 pm	Daily
06237	Mysuru	Manamadurai	6.35 pm	9.15 pm	Mon
16592	Mysuru	Hubballi	6.50 pm	9.40 pm	Daily
16210	Mysuru	Ajmer	7.10 pm	10.10 pm	Tue & Thu
16227	Mysuru	Talguppa	7.30 pm	10.30 pm	Daily
06526	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	7.50 pm	11.05 pm	Daily
22681	Mysuru	Chennai	8.15 pm	10.50 pm	Wednesday
16022	Mysuru	Chennai	9.00 pm	11.45 pm	Daily
06269	Mysuru	SMVT Baiyyappanahalli	9.50 pm	12.45 am	Daily
06560	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	10.25 pm	1.15 am	Daily
22135	Mysuru	Renigunta	11.00 pm	1.30 am	Friday
22818	Mysuru	Howrah	11.45 pm	2.00 am	Sunday

DEPARTING FROM KSR BENGALURU AND ARRIVING MYSURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Bengaluru Departure	Mysuru Arrival	Days of Service from Bengaluru
06270	SMVT Baiyyappanahalli	Mysuru	12.15 am	4.30 am	Daily
16218	Shirdi	Mysuru	12.55 am	3.20 am	Thursday
22817	Howrah	Mysuru	1.03 am	3.25 am	Sunday
06559	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	2.05 am	5.15 am	Daily Passenger
16021	Chennai	Mysuru	4.00 am	6.40 am	Daily
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	4.30 am	7.00 am	Daily
16228	Talguppa	Mysuru	5.05 am	8.20 am	Daily
22682	Chennai	Mysuru	5.25 am	7.45 am	Friday
16231	Mayiladuturai	Mysuru	5.45 am	8.35 am	Daily
16591	Hubballi	Mysuru	6.00 am	8.50 am	Daily
12785	Kacheguda	Mysuru	6.35 am	9.30 am	Daily
16235	Tuticorin	Mysuru	7.15 am	10.20 am	Daily
16536	Solapur	Mysuru	8.00 am	10.45 am	Daily
17308	Bagalkot	Mysuru	8.20 am	11.45 am	Daily
16316	Kochuveli	Mysuru	8.35 am	11.15 am	Daily
06257	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	9.15 am	1.30 pm	Daily Passenger
20607	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.15 am	12.20 pm	Daily Except Wed Vande Bharat
12007	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.45 am	1.00 pm	Daily Except Wed
20660	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	11.30 am	2.00 pm	Daily
12976	Jaipur	Mysuru	1.15 pm	4.00 pm	Wed & Fri
19667	Udaipur	Mysuru	1.30 pm	4.40 pm	Wed [Humsafar Exp]
20624	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	1.50 pm	4.20 pm	Daily
12614	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	3.15 pm	5.45 pm	Daily
07346	KSR Bengaluru	Chamarajanagar	3.35 pm	6.35 pm	Daily Passenger
06525	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	4.45 pm	7.40 pm	Daily Passenger
12577	Darbhanga	Mysuru	5.15 pm	8.00 pm	Thursday
17325	Belagavi	Mysuru	5.45 pm	8.40 pm	Daily
16216	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	6.15 pm	9.05 pm	Daily
22688	Varanasi	Mysuru	6.35 pm	10.00 pm	Mon & Sat
06255	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	7.00 pm	10.15 pm	Daily
12609	Chennai	Mysuru	8.00 pm	10.50 pm	Daily
16585	KSR Bengaluru	Mangaluru	8.25 pm	11.15 pm	Daily Except Friday
20664	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	9.30 pm	11.30 pm	Daily Except Wed Vande Bharat
22136	Renigunta	Mysuru	11.15 pm	1.35 am	Saturday
16209	Ajmer	Mysuru	11.50 pm	2.15 am	Tue & Sun

TOWARDS HASSAN, ARSIKERE, SHIVAMOGGA, DAVANGERE, HAVERI, HUBBALLI, DADAR, NEW DELHI & BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service
16206	Mysuru	Talguppa	6.00 am	1.25 pm	Daily
11036	Mysuru	Dadar	6.15 am	5.45 am (next day)	Sunday (Mysuru)
06268 (Exp)	Mysuru	Arsikere	6.30 am	10.25 am	Daily
16208	Mysuru	Yesvantpur	7.15 am	10.10 am (Hassan)	Daily
16225	Mysuru	Shivamogga	10.15 am	4.40 pm	Daily
16222	Mysuru	Talguppa	2.00 pm	11.00 pm	Daily
06214	Mysuru	Arsikere	5.45 pm	10.00 pm	Daily
12781	Mysuru	Hazrat Nizamuddin	7.30 pm (Fri)	6.45 pm (Sun)	Friday
17301	Mysuru	Belagavi	9.30 pm	8.45 am	Daily
16585	Mysuru	Murdeshwar	11.35 pm	12.55 am	Daily
17302	Belagavi	Mysuru	6.00 pm	5.55 am	Daily
06213	Arsikere	Mysuru	5.00 pm	9.25 am	Daily
16226	Shivamogga	Mysuru	11.15 am	4.50 pm	Daily
16207 (Exp)	Yesvantpur	Mysuru	4.45 pm (Hassan)	8.10 pm	Daily
06267	Arsikere	Mysuru	5.30 pm	9.15 pm	Daily
11035	Dadar	Mysuru	9.30 pm	10.00 pm (next day)	Thursday (Dadar)
16221	Talguppa	Mysuru	6.15 am	3.35 pm	Daily
16205	Talguppa	Mysuru	2.50 pm	10.30 pm	Daily
12782	Hazrat Nizamuddin	Mysuru	5.10 am (Mon)	2.20 am (Wed)	Monday
16586	Murdeshwar	Mysuru	2.10 pm	3.30 am	Daily

TOWARDS MYSURU TO CHAMARAJANAGAR AND BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service
07327	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	5.00 am	6.35 am	Daily Passenger
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	7.20 am (Mys)	9.10 am	Daily
06233	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	8.20 am	10.10 am	Daily Passenger
06300	Mysuru	Nanjangud	9.15 am	10.05 am	Daily
06276	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	12.00 pm	1.45 pm	Daily
06543	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	3.45 pm	5.20 pm	Daily
07346	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	6.40 pm	8.40 pm	Daily
07345	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	7.15 am	9.00 am	Daily
06299	Nanjangud	Mysuru	10.40 am	11.30 am	Daily
06234	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	10.40 am	12.30 pm	Daily Passenger
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	3.30 pm	4.45 pm	Daily
06275	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	5.25 pm	7.15 pm	Daily
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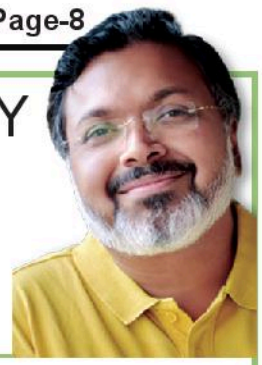
DECODING MYTHOLOGY



Dr. Devdutt Pattanaik - Author, Speaker, Illustrator, Mythologist

A King called Trishanku

Once upon a time, there was a king called Trishanku who wanted access to Swarga, the paradise of the gods, located in the sky. But unfortunately, he was not good enough. Different versions give us different reasons: that he had committed adultery, that he had consumed beef, that he had broken caste rules. The point is Indra, king of the gods, would not let him enter Swarga. He was not dharmic enough.

So, the king sought the help of Vishwamitra, a rebel seer, who had defied the odds and made himself a Rishi. Born a king, Kaushika had chosen the mystical, occult, spiritual path, and made himself a Rishi, one with powers to even defy and control the gods. He promised to get Trishanku to heaven. Trishanku rose from the earth, and made his way through the atmosphere, towards the sky. But Indra refused to let him enter his abode. "Go back to earth," he said.

Trishanku fell downwards but Vishwamitra blocked his fall, suspending him mid-air. There he remained, neither up nor down, neither up in the sky nor down on earth. Some say he is the Southern Cross constellation that appears in the Northern Hemisphere in summers. Others say he is the coconut, head upside down. Trishanku is a metaphor for those who belong neither in the realm of the gods nor in the realm of humans. The middle class. Those who have power but still feel powerless. The oppressor who feels oppressed. The in-between liminal people.

Significantly, in Hinduism, gods appear in liminal spaces. Like Narasimha — the form of Vishnu who is neither animal nor human, who protects his devotee Prahalad from his demon-father, who cannot be killed at day or night, by killing him at twilight. The demon-father cannot be killed inside or outside a dwelling so Narasimha kills him at twilight. The demon-father cannot be killed on the ceiling or on the floor and so he is killed suspended on Narasimha's thigh.

The Trishanku story tells you about feeling disempowered by belonging neither here nor there. Narasimha story tells you about feeling empowered by being in between, here and there. Queer people are the in-between people. Neither here nor there. Both here and there. They can choose to feel disempowered like Trishanku or empowered like Narasimha.

But some people like to belong to one extreme — either the eternally oppressed activist or the eternally oppressing politician. Those who are forever victims or forever villains. Those victims who use their victimhood to dominate the conversation. Those villains who use their power and privilege to be eternal snobs. Those who cannot empathise with the other. Those who cannot know how we all move up and down, between worlds.

In politics, we see how leaders seek to be in Indra's heaven. But are pushed out. They do not fall on earth but remain suspended in between. Neither god nor human. Having lost favour of both. They are higher than everyone else but not as high as they wish to be. So, they feel like a fallen being. Not low enough to be humble though. Grumbling at how unfair the world is to not let them be the god they wish to be.

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Dist. Masters Athletics Assn. team

A group photo of the new office-bearers of Mysore District Masters Athletics Association for the year 2024 - 2027. President: N.M. Sumana, Vice-Presidents: M. Yogendra, K.N. Somashekar, K.S. Parvathi and Mahadevaiah, Secretary: C.N. Ganesh, Treasurer: S. Mahadevu, Chief Co-ordinator: C.K. Muralidharan, Organising Secretary: Chandrasekhara, Joint Secretaries: S. Basavaraju, B.S. Jayashree and M.L. Ashoka, Committee Members: C. Chennaiah, B.K. Somashekar, B.R. Rani, M.M. Nanaiah and M.S. Mahesh

Derogatory remarks against military legends

Six-hour Kodagu Bandh evokes good response

Madikeri, Dec. 12 (PS&BCT)- The six-hour Kodagu Bandh, to protest derogatory social media remarks made by advocate K.R. Vidyadhar targeting Indian Army icons Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa and *Padma Bhushan* Gen. K.S. Thimayya, saw widespread participation across the district.

The bandh, called by the Kodagu Sarvajanangada Okkuta, Chamber of Commerce, traders and over 35 organisations, lasted from 6 am to 12 noon. Protesters demanded Vidyadhar's exile and stringent Police action against him.

The bandh garnered overwhelming support in towns including Madikeri, Kushalnagar, Virajpet, Gonikoppal, Srimangala, Kutta and Shanivarasanthe.

Major commercial hubs and tourist spots, such as Nisargadhama in Kushalnagar and key areas in Madikeri, remained completely closed. Even tourist-heavy zones were deserted, with businesses voluntarily downing shutters in solidarity. As a precaution, schools and colleges across the district were given a holiday.

Arrest and quick bail fuel public anger

The protest followed Vidyadhar's arrest by Kodagu Police late on Nov. 22. He was presented before the Judicial Magistrate First Class (JMFC) Court in Madikeri, where the public prosecutor opposed bail. However, Vidyadhar was granted conditional bail and released by evening, further fuelling local outrage.

In Madikeri, private buses were halted and most shops remained closed, except for essential services. Virajpet, Srimangala, Gonikoppa, Suntikoppa, Balele, Ponnampet and T. Shettigeri observed a complete shutdown.

A large number of people assembled at Gen. Thimayya Circle at Madikeri town and resorted to a roadblock. Later, they took out a huge procession to the DC Office and submitted a memorandum to Additional Deputy Commissioner Aishwarya, seeking strict action against the accused.

Though the Chambers of Commerce in Kushalnagar and Somwarpet did not officially support the bandh, merchants in these towns voluntarily joined the protest, reflecting the public sentiment.

Kodagu Additional SP K.S. Sundar Raj supervised the bandh, ensuring tight Police security across the district. The protest remained peaceful, with no untoward incidents reported.

Leaders from various organisations and Kodava Samajas strongly condemned Vidyadhar's remarks, emphasising their unwavering respect for the revered military heroes.

Clearing work on war-footing

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Two huge machines of Power Screen company are deployed in processing the waste, that will be loaded on to it by an earth-moving machine. The plastic, soil and compost and several other things among them will be thoroughly segregated with the help of the machinery, with a target of clearing 1,000 tonnes of waste daily, with the work lasting for 10 hours in a day.

PPE kits provided

The company has hired 26 workers from different States, who have been given PPE kits to avoid any health hazards, for their continuous exposure to untreated waste. If found unhealthy, they will be subjected to health check-up without any delay.

Once the process of segregating waste is completed, the plastic materials will be sent to cement manufacturing units in Kalaburagi in the State and other parts of the country. The waste that is found fit to be converted into compost will be sent to such units. The soil will be used for the purpose of land filling. Likewise, the types of waste are being reused for various other purposes, said Gopal Singh, Project General Manager.

Waste generation

Daily 500 tonnes of waste are generated in the city, with the facility available to process only 250 tonnes of waste, with the remaining 250 tonnes of waste dumped at Sewage Farm. For the last 20 years, the mounds of waste grew bigger with no immediate solution at sight.

In this backdrop, a revised Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Rs. 59 crore was prepared and submitted to the Government for its approval. Finally, the DPR was approved in a meeting chaired by Chief Secretary to the Government, on the eve of Model Code of Conduct coming into effect in relation to the 2023 Assembly polls.

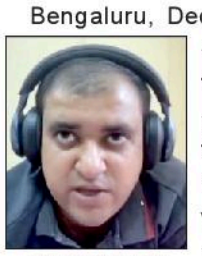
MLA Srivatsa speaks...

Krishnaraja MLA T.S. Srivatsa said, the uncleared waste at Sewage Farm in Vidyaranyapuram had turned into a political issue, but was finally taken to its logical end with the special emphasis laid by the then District Minister V. Somanna and former Mysuru-Kodagu MP Prathap Simha to address the long-pending issue. The promise made to the residents of J.P. Nagar will be kept by clearing the waste by the end of January 2026, getting rid of the stench emanating from the waste.

Gopal Singh, Project General Manager of D.H. Patel Co., said, the target is to clear waste before January 2026. The segregated waste like Plastic, Soil, Compost among others are being reused.

Bengaluru techie suicide

FIR against estranged wife, family and Judge



Atul Subhash

Bengaluru, Dec. 12 (Agencies)- The family of Bengaluru-based techie Atul Subhash, who died by suicide after accusing his estranged wife and her family of harassment, has filed a Police complaint against his wife, Nikita Singhania, her family members and a Family Court Judge Rita Kaushik in Jaunpur, Uttar Pradesh.

Atul's brother, Bikas Kumar, lodged an FIR in Bengaluru, charging Nikita Singhania, her mother Nisha Singhania, her brother Anurag Singhania and her uncle Sushil Singhania with abetment of suicide.

Atul, originally from Bihar, worked for a private firm in Bengaluru. Before his death, he left a 24-page note and videos alleging emotional distress caused by harassment and multiple cases filed against him by his wife's family. He also accused the Judge of bias and for demanding Rs. 5 lakh to settle the case.

The note, which bore the phrase "Justice is Due" on every page, outlined years of turmoil, including nine cases his wife allegedly filed against him, ranging from murder and sexual misconduct to dowry and domestic violence. It also claimed that Rs. 3 crore was demanded to settle the cases.

"My brother gave everything for her. If he had shared his troubles with me or our father, we would have helped him," Bikas Kumar said, speaking to reporters. He urged the government to conduct a thorough investigation, including probing the Judge mentioned in Atul's suicide note. "Justice must be served if my brother was truthful; otherwise, I need evidence proving he was wrong," he added.

In his note, Atul requested his family to immerse his ashes in the Ganga only if justice was served; otherwise, he instructed them to leave his remains in a gutter outside the court.

The FIR detailed Atul and Nikita's marriage in 2019 and the birth of their child. After their divorce, the complaint alleges, Nikita and her family filed false cases against him and kept him away from seeing his child. Atul pleaded for his parents to be granted custody of the child.

Bengaluru Police received a distress call at 6 am on Monday regarding a suicide at a flat. Officers found the door bolted from inside and broke in to discover Atul hanging.

Videos recorded by Atul before his death recounted his experiences and contained a heartfelt message for his four-year-old son, whom he claimed was kept away from him.

Review family-related legislation: MP

In the first political reaction to the incident, BJP MP Tejasvi Surya called for a review of family-related legislation and the inclusion of gender-neutral provisions to ensure fairness.

"The time has come for us to review many of these family-related laws and introduce aspects of gender neutrality to protect both partners in a marriage," the MP said. "The family is a cornerstone of society, and laws that can be misused by one partner risk undermining this vital institution, with significant social repercussions if left unaddressed."

Atul Subhash's death has brought renewed focus on Section 498A, which addresses cruelty against women by their husbands or relatives but has often been criticised for its potential for misuse.

Misuse of IPC Section 498A: Apex Court raises alarm

New Delhi, Dec. 12 (Agencies)- In a landmark ruling, the Supreme Court on Tuesday expressed serious concerns over the increasing misuse of Section 498A of the Indian Penal Code (IPC), a provision originally intended to protect married women from cruelty by their husbands and in-laws.

The judgement, delivered in the case of Dara Lakshmi Narayana and Others. State of Telangana and Another, highlighted how this legal safeguard is being weaponised for personal vendetta. The Court's observations have gained prominence amidst a nationwide debate following the suicide of 34-year-old Bengaluru techie Atul Subhash.

A Bench comprising Justice B.V. Nagarathna and Justice N. Kotiswar Singh underscored the troubling trend of vague and unsubstantiated allegations being levelled during matrimonial disputes, turning legal protections into tools of coercion.

"Sometimes, recourse is taken to invoke Section 498A of the IPC against the husband and his family in order to seek compliance with the unreasonable demands of a wife," the Court remarked, adding that such misuse could undermine the very purpose of the law.

The judgement acknowledged the rising discord within the institution of marriage and noted an increase in matrimonial disputes, which has led to an uptick in the misuse of legal provisions.

"In recent years, there has been a growing tendency to misuse provisions like Section 498A of the IPC as a tool for personal vendetta. Vague and generalised allegations, if not scrutinised, will lead to the misuse of legal processes and encourage arm-twisting tactics," the Bench stated.

WORD OF THE DAY

Ambigram

Pronunciation: AM-buh-gram (noun).
Meaning: An ambigram is an image of a written word or phrase that is intended or able to be oriented in either of two ways for viewing or reading.
Origin: There is little ambiguity about the origins of the word ambigram — it was introduced by cognitive scientist Douglas R. Hofstadter in his 1985 book Metamagical Themas: Questing for the Essence of Mind and Pattern, in which he wrote of the "pleasing activity of doing ambigrams, where shapes must be concocted that are poised exactly at the midpoint between two interpretations." Since then, ambigram has been used primarily to refer to an image of a written word or phrase that either forms the same word or a different word when reflected or turned upside down. For instance, when reflected, bud turns into dub, while Malayalam reads the same both ways. And when turned upside down, swims reads the same, while wow turns into mom. Some ambigrams are natural (such as dollop), while others can be designed or created with calligraphy. Calligraphic ambigrams are quite popular and are often used as logos or tattoo designs.
Example: "... when spelled out in the sand, SOS is conveniently readable as an ambigram — readable both right-side-up and upside-down." — Wendee Wendt, Parade Magazine, 8 June 2024.

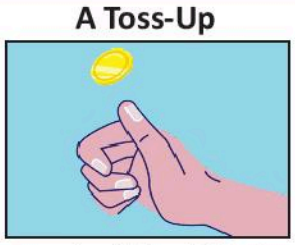
THE ODD WORD

Abseil

To descend a rock face using a double rope.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

A Toss-Up



Meaning: You use the expression 'A Toss-Up' to describe a situation where two possibilities are equally likely.
Origin: No one is certain where the term 'A Toss-Up' originated, although it is believed to be a direct reference to the act of flipping a coin. Coins with different designs on either side have been produced for thousands of years and it is quite likely that this expression has its origins in ancient times.
Example: "It's a toss-up between the Hawks and the Bulldogs for this year's softball championship."

QUOTE BOX

The key is not to prioritize what's on your schedule, but to schedule your priorities. **— Stephen Covey**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus

Answer :First person singular.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Director __ Lee
4 Fourth month, in short
7 ___ good : permanently and finally?
10 A container for rubbish, perhaps
11 At hand
13 Ancient Indic language
14 Aboriginal sacred representation of a totem
16 Entry in a list
17 Southern European
19 North Eastern state - capital Kohima
21 Clumsy boat
24 Mexican pancake
25 President of Tanzania from 1964 to 1985
27 Dull and tedious, slang word
29 Deadens or anesthetizes ?
30 Former academics
33 Tiff
34 __ day : noon?
35 Elongate, extend or draw out
38 Liberate (3,4)
39 Stride
42 Arctic animal
46 Crooked
47 Venomous, hooded serpents
48 "Set" anagram twice repeated for a poisonous fly
49 Diameter, in short?
50 Small peg for supporting a golf ball
51 Mineral spring - "sap" anagram ?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

I	N	F	■	■	S	T	D	■	M	T	N	L
T	O	R	■	■	P	R	E	■	A	R	U	T
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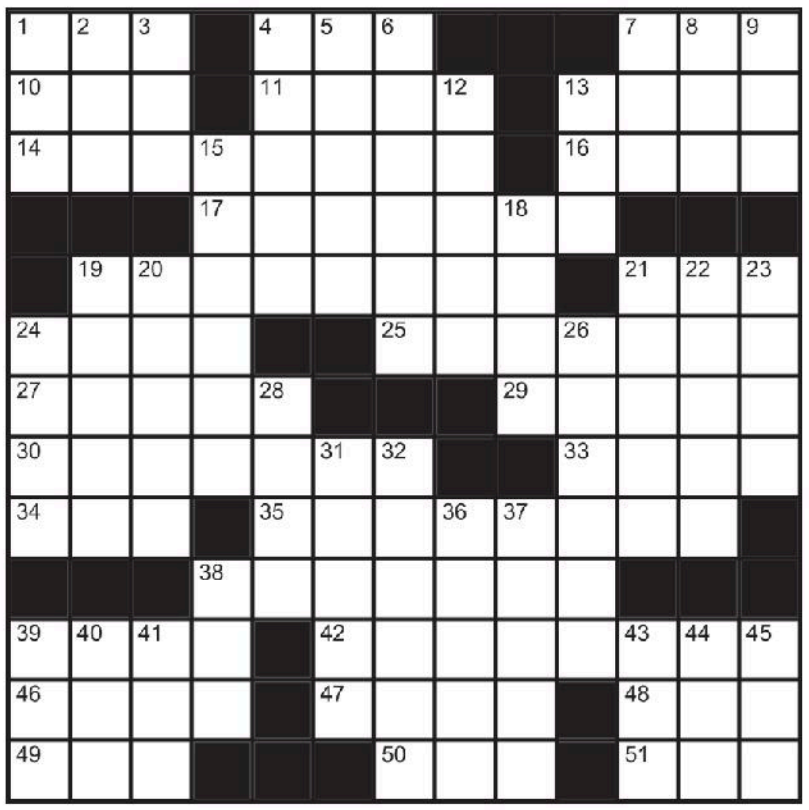
DOWN

1 First letters
2 Not Invented Here, acronym
3 African antelope
4 Santa ___ : Californian city?
5 Pertaining to punishment
6 Type of sleeve
7 Corpulent
8 Spanish cheer
9 Border
12 ___ day : time of special need in the future ?
13 Small metal fastener?
15 Strictness
18 Arabian gulf
19 Biblical Ruth's mother-in-law
20 Hurt
21 Valley near Mt Olympus
22 Not rural?
23 Most desirable
24 Those people over there!
26 Moved fast
28 1760 yards?
31 Neon ___ : pretty aquarium fish ?
32 Overrun a place, etc. in large numbers?
36 Complain peevishly
37 Stretched tight,
38 To explore secretly
39 Melancholy or pitiful
40 Two as a prefix?
41 Historical period
43 Aliens?
44 The sixth sense, in short
45 "Bad Behaviour" star Stephen



SUDOKU

		3	9	5				
	8							
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	6		3			2		
			5		7			
		9			1		3	
	2				8	6		1
							5	
				4	5	7		

Answer to previous puzzle

6	9	7	4	3	2	8	1	5
1	2	8	5	6	9	4	3	7
4	3	5	1	7	8	9	6	2
2	7	6	8	1	4	5	9	3
8	1	9	3	2	5	7	4	6
5	4	3	7	9	6	1	2	8
7	8	1	6	4	3	2	5	9
3	5	2	9	8	1	6	7	4
9	6	4	2	5	7	3	8	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

JKVKVDKJ LZSR CLK WKEWSK OEG

XIEU ZJK DKSEU ZFKJZYK.

TODAY'S CLUE: O EQUALS Y

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: A professional is a person who can do his best at a time when he doesn't particularly feel like it.

MOVIE LOVERS

NOW SHOWING - SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Gayathri Theatre** — **Ph: 2443568**
  Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K) - 4 Shows
- **Sangam Theatre** — **Ph: 2520494**
  Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — **Mob: 98863-25207**
  Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — **Mob: 99008-20093**
  Bhairathi Ranagal (K) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Bhairathi Ranagal (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — **Ph: 2423554**
  Bagheera (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — **Mob: 98454-14691**
  Bagheera (K) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
  Zebra (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — **Ph: 2420885**
  Lucky Bhaskara (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — **Ph: 2521923**
  Dheera Bhagat Roy (K) - 4 Shows

DRC CINEMAS — Ph: 4240422, 4241800

Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K)	(S-1)	9.45 am, 1.45 pm
	(S-3)	6.15 pm, 10.10 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H)	(S-1)	5.50 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te)	(S-1)	9.50 pm: (S-2) 8.10 pm
	(S-4)	10.10 am, 2.10 pm
		6.05 pm, 10 pm
Moana 2 (E-3D)	(S-2)	11 am, 3.45 pm, 6 pm
Solo Leveling - ReAwakening (Japanese)	(S-2)	1.10 pm
The Sabarmati Report (H)	(S-3)	10.25 am
Bairathi Ranagal (K)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Haridasara Dinachari (K)	(S-3)	4 pm

MVC MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Amaran (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 7.30 pm
Bhairathi Ranagal (K)	(S-1)	1.45 pm; (S-2) 10.40 am
Dheera Bhagath Roy (K)	(S-1)	4.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K)	(S-2)	1.15 pm, 5.15 pm, 9.15 pm
	(S-3)	11.30 am, 7.45 pm
	(S-4)	2.15 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te)	(S-3)	4 pm
	(S-4)	10.30 am, 6 pm, 9.45 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

Nexus Centre City Mall, 2nd Floor. Mob: 8951357139

Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te-2D)	:	8:25 am, 8.30 am, 9.30 am
		10.30 am, 12.30 pm, 1.30 pm
		2.30 pm, 4.30, 5.30 pm
		6.30 pm, 7.30 pm, 8.30 pm
		9.30, 10.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H-2D)	:	9 am, 1.10 pm, 5 pm, 10 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K-2D)	:	9.10 am 1 pm, 6 pm, 9 pm
Solo Leveling - ReAwakening (Japanese)	:	12.25 pm
Bhairathi Ranagal (K)	:	3.05 pm
Moana 2 (E-3D)	:	5.10 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K-2D)	:	9.30 am, 1.30 pm
		5.30 pm, 9.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te-2D)	:	10.30 am, 11.25 am
		2.30 pm, 4.50 pm, 6.30 pm
		8.50 pm, 10.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H-2D)	:	5.45 pm, 9.45 pm
Bhairathi Ranagal (K)	:	11 am
Aaram Arvindswamy (K)	:	1.55 pm
Moana 2 (E-3D)	:	3.25 pm

INOX LIVE the MOVIE

Mall of Mysore - Mob: 7829999465

Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te-2D)	:	8.30 am, 10.30 am, 12.30 pm
		2.30 pm, 4.30 pm, 6.30 pm
		8.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H-2D)	:	8.55 am, 12.55 pm
		5.30 pm, 10.15 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K-2D)	:	9.30 am, 1.30 pm, 9.30 pm
Moana 2 (E-2D)	:	4.55 pm
Bhairathi Ranagal (K)	:	7.20 pm

INOX Centro Mysore - Mob: 9606976757

Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Te-2D)	:	8.35 am, 9.30 am, 10.30 am
		1.30 pm, 2.30 pm, 3.50 pm
		5.30 pm, 6.30 pm
		9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (K-2D)	:	10 am, 6 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (H-2D)	:	2 pm, 10.15 pm
Pushpa: The Rule - Part 2 (Ma-2D)	:	10 pm
Dheera Bhagat Roy (K)	:	12.35 pm
Moana 2 (H)	:	7.50 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 12)

- **Indica - Mysuru Yoga Utsava:** Spirit of Yoga, Panel Discussions and Cultural programmes, Wind Chimes Courtyard, Nazarbad, **up to 8.30 pm.**
- **Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** 24th Edition of MYBUILD-24, an exhibition of construction materials, interiors and lifestyles, Maharaja's College Grounds, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Sri Geethapracharini Sabha Trust, Mysuru (Geetha Mandira):** 90th Sri Gita Jayanti Mahotsava, Vishnu Sahasranama Parayana, **5.30 pm;** Bhajans by Hasanmukhi Bhajana Mandali, Ashoka Road, Mysuru, **6 pm;** Discourse on 'Bhagavad Gita - 6th Chapter' by B.N. Madhawachar, Geetha Mandira, Ashoka Road, 33rd East Cross Road, Sri Geetha Mandira Road, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**
- **Dastkaar Haat:** Indian Handloom and Handicraft Exhibition, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind Old DC's Office, **up to 9.30 pm.**
- **Ganabharathi:** Vidushi Chokkamma Memorial Veena Concert, Veena Duet by Vid. D. Balakrishna and Vidu. Vani Yadunandan, accompanied by Tumkur B. Ravishankar on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Koushik on ghata, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Veeranjaneyaswamy Temple:** Hanuma Jayanti, special pujas and rituals, rituals will commence with Punyavaachana Rakshabandhan followed by Ganapathi and other Homas, **6.30 pm;** Mass Bhajan by Murugan and team, Sri Veeranjaneyaswamy Temple, Hanumanthanagar, Bannimantap, **10 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 13)

- **Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** Dattatreya Jayanti celebrations, Hanuman Jayanti - Abhisheka to Karya Siddhi Hanuman and 12th Anniversary celebrations, **7 am;** Panchamruta Abhisheka to Sri Kalagni Shamana Dattatreya Swamy, **9 am;** Sri Chakra Puja Punya Smarana, Anagha Vrata, **10 am;** Sri Hanuma Jayanti Puja, **11 am;** Pallakki Utsav, **5 pm;** Hanuman Bhajans, Nada Mantapa, Ashram premises, Nanjangud Road, **7 pm.**
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- **Sri Veeranjaneyaswamy Temple:** Hanuma Jayanti, special pujas and rituals, pujas will begin in Brahmi Muhurat followed by Mahamangalarathi, **7.30 am;** Sugama Sangeetha by Bhagya Datta, sponsored by Kannada and Culture Department, Sri Veeranjaneyaswamy Temple, Hanumanthanagar, Bannimantap, **6.30 pm.**
- **Dastkaar Haat:** Indian Handloom and Handicraft Exhibition, Scouts & Guides Ground, behind Old DC's Office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Maharani's Arts College for Women, Degree and PG DoS in Kannada, Kannada Sangha and Kavitha Prakashana, Mysuru:** Book release and Kavigoshti, V.V. Bhuvana's 'Agasadi Haruva Hakkigalira' and B.V. Vasanthkumar's 'Sattu Badukuva Sukha' will be released by senior writer Prof. Morabada Mallikarjuna, Maharani's Arts College for Women Principal Dr. M. Vijayamma presides; Maharani's Arts College for Women premises, **10.30 am.**
- **Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** 24th Edition of MYBUILD-24, an exhibition of construction materials, interiors and lifestyles, Maharaja's College Grounds, **10 am to 9 pm.**
- **Sri Uttaradi Mutt, Sri Anjaneyaswamy Temple:** Sri Hanumad Vrata led by Pt. Sri Aniruddhacharya Pandurangi, Panchamruta and Madhu Abhisheka by Pt. Dr. Satyadhyanacharya Katti; Felicitation to Pt. Dr. Satyadhyanacharya Katti by former MUDA Chairman H.V. Rajeev, Mysuru City and District Brahmana Sangha President D.T. Prakash, former Corporator Pramila Bharat and Congress leader N.M. Naveen Kumar chief guests, Temple premises, next to CFTRI, opp. Railway Grounds, KRS Road, **10 am.**
- **Hari Vidyalaya:** Hari Sourabha 2024, 17th Annual Day celebrations, Karnataka Muktaka Sahitya Academy Trust President S. Ramaprasad presides, artiste & Kendra Sahitya Academy Member Addanda Cariappa chief guest, Divya Hegde of SaReGaMaPa Little Champ fame special invitee, Hari Vidyalaya President Sreenivasa Hosamane will be present, Sri Vedantha Deshika Mantapa, Hari Vidyalaya, Bogadi, **4.30 pm.**
- **PGL Samsmarana Vedike, Mysuru:** Karnatak Classical Music Programme in memory of Ganakalabhushana Vid. P.G. Laksminarayana (PGL), felicitation to senior musician, scholar, guru and earlier Principal of the University of Mysore Fine Arts College, Vidu. Dr. R.N. Srilatha, vocal concert by Dr. R.N. Srilatha, accompanied by Vid. Vishwajith Mattur on violin, Vid. G.S. Ramanujan on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching, Mysore K. Vasudevacharya Bhavana, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**
- **Mysuru Book Clubs-2015:** Dr. Mahesh Rao, President, TiE, Mysuru, releases the book 'Girl in Scarlet Hijab,' a novel by Dr. Suresh U. Kumar, President, TiE, New Jersey, USA; First copy will be received by Shubha Sanjay Urs, Founder-Chairperson, Mysuru Book Clubs-2015; Prof. Shankar Bellur will be in conversation, Hotel Le Ruchi The Prince (Yamuna Hall), Hunsur Main Road, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

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